

REINFORCEMENT

1 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1. **A:** you / What / at the beach / doing / were
_____?

B: watching / were / the sunset / We

2. **A:** your brother / was / yesterday afternoon / What / doing
_____?

B: playing / was / soccer / He

3. **A:** last night / still / Were / watching TV / you / at midnight
_____?

B: watching / Yes, / were / we / a great horror movie

4. **A:** was / Why / shouting at you / your father
_____?

B: were / we / Because / bad / being

2 Make the sentences negative (A), and then make questions from the sentences (B).

1. The children were having fun.

A. _____

B. _____?

2. The dog was chasing the cat.

A. _____

B. _____?

3. My mother was washing her hair.

A. _____

B. _____?

4. We were listening to music.

A. _____

B. _____?

5. I was eating ice cream.

A. _____

B. _____?

6. She was painting a picture.

A. _____

B. _____?

3 Match the two halves of the sentences.

_____ 1. I was feeding the dog

_____ 2. You were playing basketball

_____ 3. She was running to catch the bus

_____ 4. We were sitting on the beach

_____ 5. While the children were playing in the yard,

_____ 6. My boyfriend's Spanish. I met him

a. while I was staying with some friends in Madrid.

b. when the tsunami arrived.

c. their mother made dinner.

d. when you broke your leg.

e. when it bit me.

f. when she fell over.

4 Circle the correct option.

1. When the bus broke down, Megan knew she *was* / *wasn't* going to be late to school.

2. Your mother *was* / *wasn't* riding the bike when she ran into the tree.

3. I *was* / *wasn't* reading my notes before the exam because I left them at home.

4. We *were* / *weren't* flying from Barcelona when the plane crashed.

5. Because Megan *was* / *wasn't* talking during class, the teacher took her cell phone.

CONSOLIDATION

1 Complete the dialogue with the verbs in the past tense.

- MELISSA: Hello, Sally, I ¹ (*not / see*) _____ you in school last week.
- SALLY: Hello Melissa. No, I ² (*not / go*) _____ I ³ (*not / feel*) _____ very well so I ⁴ (*go*) _____ to the doctor's.
- MELISSA: What was the matter?
- SALLY: I ⁵ (*think*) _____ I had a cold, but while the doctor ⁶ (*examine*) _____ me she ⁷ (*take*) _____ my temperature and it was over 39°. So, I ⁸ (*spend*) _____ the week in hospital.
- MELISSA: So ⁹ (*go*) _____ you _____ to Fay's party on Saturday?
- SALLY: No, I didn't. I was disappointed I ¹⁰ (*not / can*) _____ go.
- MELISSA: I couldn't go either. I had to look after my little sister. But something terrible ¹¹ (*happen*) _____ while she ¹² (*take*) _____ a shower.
- SALLY: What?
- MELISSA: She ¹³ (*fall*) _____ and ¹⁴ (*break*) _____ her arm!
- SALLY: Oh no! What ¹⁵ (*do*) _____ you _____ ?
- MELISSA: I ¹⁶ (*phone*) _____ my parents and then we all went to the hospital.
- SALLY: What a great week we both had!

2 Complete the sentences with the verbs in the simple past or past continuous.

- I (*feed*) _____ the dog when it (*bite*) _____ me.
- You (*play*) _____ basketball when you (*break*) _____ your leg.
- She (*run*) _____ to catch the bus when she (*fall*) _____ over.
- We (*sit*) _____ on the beach when the tsunami (*arrive*) _____ .
- While the children (*play*) _____ in the yard, their mother (*make*) _____ dinner.
- My boyfriend's Spanish. I (*meet*) _____ him while I (*stay*) _____ with some friends in Madrid.

EXTENSION

1 Write sentences in the past continuous using the cues.

1. **A:** What / you / do / at the beach
_____?

B: watch / the sunset

2. **A:** your brother / do / yesterday afternoon
_____?

B: play / soccer

3. **A:** you / watch TV / last night / at midnight
_____?

B: Yes / watch / a great horror movie

4. **A:** Why / your father / shout at you
_____?

B: Because / we / be / bad

2 Correct the mistakes in these sentences.

1. The children wasn't having fun.

2. The dogs was chasing the cat.

3. My mother wasn't wash her hair.

4. Was we listen to music?

5. Were I eating ice cream?

6. She were painting a picture.

3 Complete the sentences with your own ideas.

1. I was feeding the dog when

2. While you were playing basketball,

3. She was running to catch the bus when

4. While we were sitting on the beach,

5. While the children were playing in the yard,

6. My boyfriend's Spanish. I met him when

4 Circle the mistakes in the sentences and write the corrected sentence on the space provided.

1. Cathy was go to school yesterday when she got sick.

2. Your mother was riding the bike when she fall down.

3. I learn to read when I was three, so I was reading before I started school.

4. The team was fly from San Francisco to Washington when their plane had engine trouble.

5. I was sending an IMs when my cell phone break.
